PROJECT NUMBER: 8101
PROJECT TITLE: Cigarette Testing Services Division
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I. MARKET ACTIVITY

A. Objective: To monitor and report new brand introductions and brand modifications for the domestic and international cigarette markets.

B. Results:

1. CAMPAIGN '88 CIGARETTES

The Bush and Dukakis all natural presidential campaign cigarettes made by Georgopulo & Co. were found to be the same. No reconstituted or expanded material was found in the blend; no added flavorings or humectants were found with the exception of low levels of glycerin. The cigarette paper contained phosphate as a burn additive.

II. ANALYTICAL METHODS DEVELOPMENT AND SUPPORT

A. Objective: To evaluate and recommend analytical methods and new technology in support of programs for R&D and Manufacturing.

B. Results:

1. FREON® IN CIGARETTE FILLER

Representative brands from the major cigarette manufacturers were tested for presence of Freon®. Cigarette filler as well as the microscopically separated expanded tobacco portion were tested. Freon® continues to be used in the filler in R J Reynolds, American, Lorillard and Liggett brands. Philip Morris and Brown & Williamson do not use Freon® in their brands.

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